



# River City ARCS

River City Amateur Radio Communications Society



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Phil Sittner shows many of his homebuilt equipment at the Rocklin Mini Maker Fair.  
Photo by Carol Milazzo KP4MD

## Rocklin Mine Maker Faire

Several club members were at the Rocklin Mini Maker Faire showing off Amateur Radio. Quite a few people were interested and asked questions about amateur radio.

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

The presidents message has not been received by press time.

## EDITORS MESSAGE

At the October meeting we had our “white elephant sale”. We had a good turnout and a lot of equipment was sold in the auction.

The November meeting will be our elections and a demo of the Nanovna <https://hackaday.com/2019/08/11/nanovna-is-a-50-vector-network-analyzer/>

Elections are coming in November if you are interested in running for any office let a board member know. We still need people to step up and volunteer for positions none of which are that hard and you get great support from others on the board. SO Please step up and volunteer!

Remember **“You can’t fire me, I am a volunteer”**

We need to nominate someone for the Lyle Aufranc award. This award is for someone who you think has done a lot for the club this past year.

Dues for the next year can now be paid and must be paid by January.

Ken Martin  
KE6RMN  
Editor

## Technical Program - The NanoVNA

Our presentation will feature an introduction to and demonstration of [the NanoVNA](#), a new \$50 shirt-pocket size device with touchscreen that displays SWR curves of antennas from 50 kHz through 900 MHz and so much more! This very affordable game-changing device represents a new generation of antenna analyzers for the radio amateur!

**CLUB INFORMATION**

DUES: \$20.00 Per year

Send to: River City ARCS

c/o Phil Sittner, Treasurer

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Fair Oaks, CA 95628-4172

MEETINGS: Membership meetings are generally held on the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Sacramento County Corporation Yard, corner of Don Julio and Elkhorn Blvd.'s.

Board of Directors meetings are held the fourth Tuesday at 7:00 pm. All members are welcome.

Contact a board member for location.

**2019 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES****Board of Directors**

President	Paul McIntyre	KC5JAX
Vice President	Kevin Hooke	KK6DCT
Secretary	Gert Thompson	KK6ZGA
Treasurer	Phil Sittner	KD6RM
Membership	Phil Sittner	KD6RM
Board Members		
2 year Term	Marty Gunn	KM6MFI
2 year Term	Mike Meighan	KD6ILC
2 year Term	Tom Cutter	W6BS
2 year Term	Ed Siegner,	WA6QYO

**Appointments:**

N6NA Trustee	Andrew Stephens	W6AWS
Hospitality	Marie Martin	
Training	Ed Seigner,	WA6QYO
Editor	Ken Martin,	KE6RMN
Sales	Need volunteer	
Field Day	Need volunteer	
Picnic Chair	Need volunteer	

Web Site: [www.n6na.org](http://www.n6na.org)E-mail: [n6na@arrl.net](mailto:n6na@arrl.net)

Contact club through the web page at:

<http://www.n6na.org/about>**N6NA Repeaters****145.250 MHz (-162.2)****442.600 MHz (+100) Low Level (Orangevale)****441.300 MHz Member use only****2M Club Net - Members and Guests****Check In on 145.250 MHz****Wednesday at 8 PM****10M Club Net - Members and Guests****Check in on 28.420 MHz****following 2M net****SSTV Club net - Members and Guests****Check in on 441.300 MHz FM Simplex****Following 10M net.**<http://www.n6na.org/nets>**2019 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

For 2019 all membership meetings will be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month.

Board meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Club meeting and elections	Nov 5
Veterans Day	Nov 11
DIY Radio Builders meeting	Nov 14
Board meeting	Nov 26
Thanksgiving	Nov 28
Club Christmas party	Dec 3
Board Meeting	Dec ?
Christmas	Dec 25
New Years	Jan 1

Many of you have heard of or seen web videos of the 11'8" railroad bridge that has decapitated many a tall truck. Well, they are raising it by 8 inches. You can see it being done at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YPt4ijPFzc8>

Ken Martin  
Editor

## POWER OUTAGES

This past month PG&E has has some power outages. This has left some club members and the club repeater off the air. This should be a reminder to all of us to plan and check our back up power plan. Whether it be solar, battery or generator Learn how to use it.

With the repeater down we did a simplex net. Many people were calling in on the repeater input frequency. We all need to know how to change our radios from repeater to simples for emergencies. Remember RTFM - Read The Frikking Manual.



## Volunteer Exam Schedule

If you or someone you wants to take a class or a test . The ARRL has this page Licensing, Education & training <http://www.arrl.org/licensing-education-training>

This has a location by zip code which includes the above training in the schedule for technician and general.

It has a find a class and take an exam search by zip code.

## ELMER

The club has an Elmer program where new hams can get help from older hams. If you need help with something contact a board member. If you would like to help others let a board member know and what your area of expertise is. It doesn't have to be complex electronics, it could as simple as labor to help put up a mast. By volunteering you will help others and maybe make a new friend.

